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## An online training program on wild food value-chains

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## Task 5.1 Capacity building


Coordinated by UNIPD with the participation of all partners, except AVFA and Prodeca

Main goal:

→ Design and implementation of a **training program addressed to the actors of the wild food value-chains**, with special attention to SMEs, smallholders, small food processing companies, entrepreneurs, with preference to the young ones.





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## The activities

- Around **10 hours of recorded videos**
  - About 80% recorded in the field
- **40 different videos**, more than **20 experts** involved from:
  - Italy (truffle)
  - Slovenia (truffle)
  - Spain (pine nuts)
  - Portugal (acorn)
- For **3 wild food products** (truffle, pine nuts and acorn) the **entire supply chain** described and analysed, i.e. from forest (forest owners/pickers) to final consumers (restaurant)






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## The structure of the course

- **Module 1: Wildfood products: an overview (1h20)**  
 This module provides the **main theoretical concepts** needed to have an overview of wild forest products sector, such as the existing definitions, their economic value and their role in international policies.
- **Module 2: Business in wildfood products (6h30)**  
 This module provides references to describe the **different stages of the truffle, pine nut and acorn supply chain**. The different phases are first introduced on a theoretical level by the project partners and then described through interviews and video recordings in the field, which involved producers, pickers, process industries and final users
- **Module 3: Innovation in wildfood value chains (1h 50)**  
 This module is a collection of case studies of **innovative technologies and processes** applied to wild or semi-wild food provisioning or monitoring (innovation action developed during the project)
- **Module 4: Test your idea**  
 Student can develop their **business plan Canvas** for an evaluation

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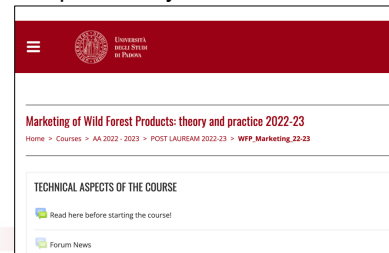
## Operational aspects



The training course has been **uploaded in MOODLE**, the platform managed by Padua University  
<https://samv.elearning.unipd.it/course/view.php?id=5104>)

→ Open to all students and, under request, to external users

→ Username and Password provided by Tesaf staff



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## How to promote the course?



**Flyer** (in pdf) to promote the training courses

→ a link for filling out a **Google form** by participants


Once registered, participants will receive an email (sent by Tesaf staff) with **username and password** within about ten days.

...to this day **31 students enrolled**



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## Some screenshots



**MODULE 1: WILDFOOD PRODUCTS: AN OVERVIEW**


This module will provide the main theoretical concepts necessary to have an overview of wild forest products sector, such as the existing definitions, their economic value and their role in the international policies.

- 1.1 The definition of wild forest products
- 1.2 Wild forest products economic role
- 1.3 Wild forest products on the forest policy in Europe
- 1.4 Wild forest products supply chain
- Suggested papers on the topic
- Test 1.1: check your knowledge

**1.1 The definition of wild forest products**


Wild foods are the first products human beings have used and traded. **There are many wild forest products**, and each of these is characterized by a very often and production methodology. Providing a common definition of wild forest products can be a real challenge, but at the same time it can be a very useful element makers, in order to better design and implement policies and economic measures.

In the video, Professor Davide Pettenella (Padua University - Tesaf department) presents the main definitions utilised by the international institutions.



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## A special issue of Forests

Re: [Forests] (IF: 3.282) Special Issue on The Increasing Value of Non-Wood Forest Products: a Move Towards Sustainable Bioeconomy - Further Steps for Setting Up 🔍 ↗ ✕

Posta in arrivo ✕ Pubblicazioni ✕

**Uros Nestorovic** <nestorovic@mdpici.com> 📧 mar 4 apr, 11:20

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Dear Professor Pettenella,


Thank you for your positive response. I am very glad to hear you will lead this Special Issue!

**Proposed title:**

Training, communication and information exchange for the promotion of the wild forest products value chains

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